

St. John the Baptist Parish

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 1, 2010

Mission Statement of St. John's Parish



Under the guidance of the Holy Spirit the community of St. John's Parish works to spread the Gospel message through a ministry of compassion, education, and stewardship. Our life as believers is centered in the Eucharist, which encourages and fosters a deep sense of identity in Christ Jesus and the mission the Lord Jesus calls us to embrace.

We welcome all who have come to worship in our parish community. If you are new to our parish, please introduce yourself to any of the priests or deacon. May we experience together the love of Jesus Christ.

Liturgical Celebrations

Saturday: 4:00 p.m. (Vigil Mass)

Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m.,
11:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

Weekdays: 8:00 a.m. Monday - Saturday

Latin Mass: 7:00 a.m. (lower chapel)
1st & 3rd Wednesday

Holy Days and Holidays: as announced

Rev. Richard E. Cannon, Pastor

Rev. Mark D. Barr, Parochial Vicar

Rev. Thomas S. Foley, In Residence

Dn. Paul A. Lewis, Financial Administrator, 617-773-1021

Dn. Charles M. Bubello, Senior Deacon

Elaine Walsh, Administrative Assistant, 617-773-1021

Joanne Curry, Religious Education Director, K-9, 617-479-0125

Donna Niosi, Secretary of Religious Education, 617-479-0125

Paul Kelly, Music Director

Edward Philie, Director of Maintenance, 617-921-1026

St. Vincent de Paul Society, 617-472-4908

Sacrament of Matrimony: Congratulations! In order for the priest or deacon to spiritually work with the couple, arrangements must be made at least six months before the wedding date.

Infant Baptism: Celebrated third Sunday of the month at 1:00 p.m. Call a Parish Priest or Deacon at least one month in advance.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession): Lower chapel, Wednesdays, 8:30-9:30 a.m.; Saturdays, 2:30-3:30 p.m. or by appointment at the rectory.

Confirmation and Holy Orders: Call a Parish Priest or Deacon.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick: Before you enter the hospital for tests or surgery, we encourage you to celebrate the Anointing of the Sick at one of our Eucharistic celebrations. Priests are not available at the hospital as they once were to anoint patients. We strongly advise you to clearly inform the admissions staff at the hospital that you are Catholic and desire to be visited by one of the Catholic Pastoral Care Ministers.

Eucharistic Adoration in the Lower Church Chapel

- ◆ Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
- ◆ First Saturday, 8:30-9:45 a.m.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, July 31

8:00 a.m.

4:00 p.m. Memorial McCloskey Family, McEachern Family,
Marie & John Maloney & Family &
Patrick & Theresa McGovern & Family

Sunday, August 1

7:30 a.m. Mass for the People

9:00 a.m. 10th Anniversary & Birthday Claire Kaczka

11:00 a.m. Memorial Norma & Gabriel Palumbo

5:30 p.m. 1st Anniversary Joseph Marchese
& 1st Anniversary Martin F. Corcoran

Monday, August 2

8:00 a.m.

Tuesday, August 3

8:00 a.m.

Wednesday, August 4

8:00 a.m. Memorial Raffleal & Lucia Papile

Thursday, August 5

8:00 a.m. Memorial Helen F. Eagan

Friday, August 6

8:00 a.m. 9th Anniversary Edmund F. Daly, Jr.

Saturday, August 7

8:00 a.m. Memorial Deborah Tarrell

4:00 p.m. Memorial Mary & Peter Bruen & Family

Sunday, August 8

7:30 a.m. Mass for the People

9:00 a.m. 5th Anniversary George V. Doherty

11:00 a.m. 1st Anniversary Edward A. Gillis

5:30 p.m. 15th Anniversary Ann Belmonte

The Spirituality of Stewardship

*Receiving God's Gifts gratefully;
Nurturing God's Gifts responsibly;
Sharing God's Gifts in love and justice;
Returning God's Gifts generously.*

Sunday, July 24/25

Total Sacrificial Offering by Parishioners \$7,814.79

10% Stewardship

Mass Citizens for Life \$ 260.00

Little Sisters of the Poor \$ 260.00

Simon of Cyrene Society \$ 261.00

Total Stewardship Offering by Parishioners \$ 781.00

There will be one cause of support this weekend, July 31/August 1 and one cause next weekend, August 7/8.

Thank you for your generosity!

Your Prayers are Requested for:



Lillian Colligan, Jaden Jardin-Saint-Andre, Osvaldo Marinilli, Thomas R. Nigro, Jr. and all our parishioners who have died recently, and for all our deceased relatives and friends. Also, please remember all those who are ill and please pray for the intentions of all our parishioners.



For those who are so generous to the important work of our SVDP Society, please send donations directly to the rectory or please use the blue envelope marked **SVDP** and drop into the regular parish collection. If you or someone you know is a member or lives in St. John's Parish and needs assistance, please contact St. Vincent de Paul. The Society has office hours Wednesday in the school, 6:30-7:30 p.m. For further information, please call 617-472-4908. Our food pantry is sustained through parishioners' donations. There are also baskets at the entrances to the church for your food donations. Thank you for your support.

Donations



The altar bread and wine For the week of August 1 have been donated in memory of Clare & William Murphy and John Kearns. If you would like to make a memorial donation for the altar bread and/or the altar wine in memory of a loved one or for a special intention, please call the rectory at 617-773-1021. The donation for the altar bread or the altar wine is \$30 each for one week (\$60 for both).



Bulletin notices must be received by the rectory no later than 4:00 p.m. on Mondays except for weeks with holidays when the bulletin must be transmitted early. Notices must be in by Thursday at 4:00 p.m. the week before a holiday.



Wedding Banns

- I Garrett Quinn & Jill Clark
- II Carmine DiMascio & Laura Sweeney
- II Andrew Thompson & Danielle Angiolillo
- III Brendan Keary & Kaitlyn Nutley
- III Stephen McIntyre & Dawn Weber

Sacred Heart, Weymouth Marriage Preparation Course

Course is scheduled to take place on Sunday, September 12 and Sunday, September 26. This is a 2-part course. If you are planning a wedding after that time, and before the end of August 2011, please contact Deacon Hank at the rectory, 781-337-6333, fax 781-337-9192 or email deaconhank@comcast.net.

17th Annual Feast Day Celebration Shrine of the Little Flower

August 15, St. Theresa's Shrine, 35 Dion Drive, (Nasonville) Harrisville, Rhode Island.

10:30 a.m. Prayers at Holy Stairs

11:15 a.m. Stations of the Cross

noon to 1:30 p.m. lunch

12:15 p.m. Concert

1:30 p.m. Outdoor Living Rosary

2:45 p.m. Procession with St. Theresa

3:00 p.m. Chaplet of Divine Mercy

3:15 p.m. Solemn Feast Mass

Blessing with the St. Theresa Relic.

All events to be held outdoors, rain or shine, bring chair and umbrella. For more information call 401-568-0575 or 401-568-8280 or email: shiirl@cox.net. Visit the website: www.SaintTheresaShrine.com.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

“Seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the hand of God” (Today's Second Reading) come and seek Christ's guidance and strength for your marriage/Holy orders. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends in New England are September 17-19, September 24-26 and October 22-24. For more information and to register, call 800-710-WWME or visit our webpage at www.wwmeMA.org.

Mission Statement: *Worldwide Marriage Encounter's* mission of renewal in the Church and change in the world is to assist couples and priests to live fully intimate and responsible relationships, by providing them with a Catholic “experience” and ongoing community support for such a lifestyle.

Pieta Ministry/St. Anthony Shrine, Downtown Crossing, Boston

Serving the spiritual needs of grieving parents: monthly Mass and coffee, September 5; October 3; November 7; December 5. Spiritual Retreat: November 6/7. Join other parents and Franciscan Friars in a warm and loving place where you can find comfort, rest, and peace. Call Diane at 617-542-6440, Ext. 116 for more information.



Religious Education
helps to build a
strong foundation

St. John's Family Religious Education Changes for the 2010-2011 Year

Sadly, we are no longer able to hold our classes in St. John's School due to extreme water damage. We are moving our program to the lower church. To accommodate all our students our program will be a combination of home and church lessons. Information concerning the program for the upcoming year for grades 1-9 has been sent to all registered families. Registrations are requested to be returned by August 10. If you are new to our parish or have questions please call the Religious Education phone line 617-479-0125.

On The St. John's School Building

The St. John's school building suffered extensive damage to its interior with the extraordinary amount of rain that fell in March. The Folan Waterproofing and Construction Company was commissioned to do a study on the school's inability to keep rain water out.

It turns out that the bricks are relatively fine. The problem is the mortar holding the bricks together is quite porous. The projected cost for the restoration cleaning of the bricks and mortar, the re-pointing and then the application of a sealant followed by a water-repellant application would cost \$ 198,000. The interior of the school building would also have to be repaired and a mold problem addressed. This cost is approximated at about \$100,000. Because of the water damage CCD classes will not be held in the school this year. A future decision will have to be made on the building's viability.

Workshop on Visiting the Sick

Starting, **Tuesday, September 14** and running for six weeks, a workshop on *Pastoral Care to the Sick and the Homebound* will be offered at **St. Mary of the Nativity Parish in Scituate from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.** Elizabeth Couble, a Certified Chaplain and form Coordinator of Catholic Pastoral Services at Brockton Hospital, will teach the workshop.

The workshop will include a review of communication skills, the basics of pastoral visitation, key illness issues, spiritual needs and concerns, grief, loss and dying, and caregiving issues. Eucharistic ministers, pastoral visitors, parish nurses and others are encouraged to attend. Fee: \$40. Registration information is available at the office of Health Care Ministry 617-746-5843 or email KFarrell@rcab.org. **Pre- registration is required.** **Please register by September 7th.**

St. John the Baptist Parish

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

If you grew up in a family with another sibling, it is likely that at some point you or a brother or sister went to mom or dad and said something like, "Tell [put your sibling's name here] to share [toy, cake, cookie, TV-fill in the blank]." We've all done it, even if we're an only child and used the line on a school teacher or aunt or uncle when playing with a cousin. Most of us have an innate sense of fairness and justice. We want to be treated equitably. We grow up with aphorisms like "Fair is fair," "Take turns," and "Play by the rules." We appeal to authority (Mom, Dad, teacher, referee, judge) when we think we're being taken advantage of. Our expectation is that justice will prevail.



Civil trials often involve that quest for justice. An aggrieved party seeks an equitable outcome through a judgment against an offender. But justice alone does not guarantee solace. How many times have we heard in the news about a plaintiff who explains that it was not the court judgment that brought peace and resolution. Inevitably, they explain how they have found peace when they were able to bring themselves to forgive the offender. Many describe how the anger or pain in their hearts continued to interfere with their lives until they could put it aside by being reconciled.

The words of Jesus in the Gospel that "one's life does not consist of possessions" reflect this understanding. While compensatory and punitive damages help relieve an injustice, they do not resolve a situation completely. Only movement toward forgiveness and reconciliation can bring that about. It is not easy to do that, but our Christian experience acknowledges that it can be done, even if it takes years to accomplish. The hope is that we will be "rich in what matters to God" (Lk 12:21).

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Lecture Series on Tuesday Mornings Deacon Paul Lewis is presenting a DVD lecture series on Tuesday mornings following the 8:00 a.m. Mass. This series presents G. K. Chesterton, a preeminent writer of 20th century Catholicism. All are invited. Light refreshments and hospitality are also included.

	<p>Calendar of St. John's Upcoming Dates & Events</p> <p>Tuesday, August 3 8:45 a.m. G . K. Chesterton Lecture Series Lower Church</p> <p>Friday, August 6 8:30 a.m.- 4:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration Lower Chapel</p> <p>Saturday, August 7 8:30 - 9:45 a.m. First Saturday Devotions Lower Chapel</p>
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Stewardship Thank You Note

Dear Parishioners,

Peace and Blessings on you. I take the occasion of this letter to thank you for the generous answer to the mission appeal preached last month by Fr. Bob Maloney. Fr. Copp's Office (Propagation of the Faith of Boston) sent us a check for \$3,057.30. To me this financial contribution carries with it a deeper meaning. It speaks of love, concern, sacrifice, partnership and an active interest in the work of the missions. Thank you, know that you are never far from our prayers.

Once again, thanks for your kindness and generosity. May the Lord bless you with happiness, the company of good friends and the grace of his peace.

Sincerely yours,

Fr. Joe Matteucig, sx

Superior Xaverian Missionaries

Dear Parishioners,

Thank you ever so much for sending us the generous share of your support for Catholic Schools. We have received your check for \$300 for the school tax mandated by the Archdiocese of Boston. Please come by St. Paul School to learn more about our educational process and to see how our students are growing in the love of God and the love of learning.

I appreciate your support of Catholic School Education which continues the mission to form our young people in the faith you also foster so well at St. John the Baptist Parish.

On behalf of Fr. Rafferty and all of us at St. Paul School, I wish to thank you for your contribution and continuing support.

Sincerely,

Mars. Cynthia Duggan, Principal

Welcome to St. John's We encourage all our parishioners who worship with us to register. Our registry is a vital source of information that we use when we need to contact parishioners. Please call the rectory, 617-773-1021, or return this form to the rectory by the collection basket, mail, or in person. Would you like to have the bulletin emailed to you?



If you would, please give us your email address: _____

Name: _____ Tel. # _____

Address: _____ City _____ ZIP _____

Check if address change: Moving out of parish: Would you like envelopes? (Please circle) YES NO